

# **The Benefits of Preaching & Meditating on Heaven.**

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1. It focuses our attention away from the things of this world and on to the eternal bliss in the next.
2. It reminds sinners that heaven is solely received by God's grace, through Christ's atoning death, by the Spirit's sovereign draw wholly apart from works.
3. It encourages believers amidst hard trials here on earth.
4. It strengthens believers to endure even the most severe, continuous, and unceasing tribulations.
5. It prompts Christians to talk more about heaven in their conversations rather than the mundane, earthly, temporal issues of this world.
6. It prepares Christians to die well.
7. It evangelizes the lost who have not yet come to saving faith in Jesus Christ.
8. It enhances the heartfelt longing to depart from this world to be with Christ in the next.
9. It spurs Christians to more fervent holiness and greater zeal for God's glory knowing that heaven will be the perfection of holiness and the perfect realization of God's glory.
10. It shows the work of God's grace in the Christian's heart to long for heaven.
11. It provides the highest state of divine peace throughout the entire course of one's life here on earth.
12. It safeguards the Christian from falling into temptations and sin.
13. It glorifies the Triune God who is infinitely, eternally, and fully revealed in heaven.
14. It allows for the believer to put off the anxieties of this world and to replace it with putting on the longings for the next.
15. It obeys God.